GAY WEEK OF REVELRY

INDULGED IN BY THE DEFOTEES OF SOCIETY IN RICHMOND.

Germans, Teas and Receptions Follow Each Other in Rapid Succession-Many Notable Social Events-Personals,

However aggressive and absorbing Santa Claus has been of late, not even his majesty of home pleasures has been able to push society to the wall during the week just passed. Every night was marked by some entrancing gayety, and each of them most delightful. The Monday german ushered in the march of events in its usual radiant array at the Masonic Temple on Monday evening. One of the commendable features of the occasion was the prompt arrival of the particlpants, which gave a much longer period for dancing. The plant decorations were most attractive, and an elegant supper was served at 11 o'clock. The german was led by Mr. Jo Lane Stern with his

usual skill. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Alfred T. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. J. Strother Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Montague, Mr. and Mrs. Waller Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whitlock, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Welch, Mr. and Mrs. James T. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Richmond Pearson, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Langhorne, Mr. and Mrs. William Taibott, Mr. and Mrs. Alian Donnan, Mr. and Mrs. George B. McAdams, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Cabell, Mr. and Mrs. James Branch, Mr. and Mrs. George Wayne Anderson, Mrs. A. B. Camm, Mrs. Edward Mayo, Mrs. C. C. McPhall, Mrs. Moncure Perkins, Mrs. Thomas H. Bransford, Roa noke; Mrs. George Ross, Mrs. Ed. Latimer, of Wilmington; Misses Lucile Fuller, Fannie Ross, Maggie Furgurson, Berta Wellford, Bessie Pace, Netta Potts, Berta Weliford, Bessie Pace, Netta Potts, Callie Ryland, Annie Gray, Nellie Boy-kin, Mary Mayo, Mary McGuire, Bessie Fauntieroy, Nellie Perrin, Narcissa Bar-ton, Helen Rosse, Misses Embrey, Sallie Weilford, Helen Montague, Martha Bag-by, Irene Langhorne, Bruce Williams, Sallie Talbott, Marion Harris, Mary Cul-len, Gertrude Camm, Bessie Addison, Elise Williams, Annie Leigh Camm, Mary Lewis, Bessie Martin, Mary Cameron, Lewis, Bessle Martin, Mary Cameron, Lina Mayo, May Handy, Madge Ould, Ella Cocke.

Tuesday evening was claimed by the Tuesday evening was claimed by the Tuesday Euchre Club, which was elegantly entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Lathrop, at their home on west Franklin. The decorations were artistic and lavish, the dark greens of the handsome plants making a charming contrast for the numerous soft tinted lamps that sifted their lights through a mesh of lace and flovers. The elegant supper was enhanced in daintiness by a beautiful centrepiece of pink carna-tions and fruit, while silver candelabra with pink shades shed over all a rose hue. The prizes were presented by Mrs. Ashton Starke and were both beautiful and costly. They were won by lirs. Moncure Perkins, a cut glass celery dish. Moncure Perkins, a cut glass celery cish.
Mrs. Nora Leary, a water color painting; Mrs. Alian Donnan, a cut glass
rose jar, and Mrs. T. O. Barbour captured
the consolation prize, which was an
elaborately embroidered centrepiece.
The score was kept by Mrs. Gray Skipwith and Mrs. John Enders, who received
pretty sourdenies.

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Some of the others present were: Mr. and Mrs. James Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Whitlock, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Cabell, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gray, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Loughorne, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Boykin, Mrs. Moncure Perkins, Mrs. C. R. Barksdale, Mrs. Virginius Johnson, Mrs. J. D. Lottler, Mr. and Mrs. George B. McAdams, Mrs. Thomas H. Bransford, Mr. and Mrs. G. O'B. Cowardin, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bosher, Mrs. Allan Donnan, Mrs. Charles Stokes, Mrs. Charles Stokes, Mrs. Allan Donnan, Mrs. Charles Stokes, Mrs. Thomas Bolling, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rutherfoord, Mr. and Mrs. Wiloott, Mrs. A. B. Camm, Mrs.

The next meeting will be entertained by Mr. and Mrs. C. O'B. Cowardin, Mrs. Edward Mayo will present the

On Thursday evening two brilliant 'teas' filled the hours both early and ate with brilliant entertainment. Mrs. late with brilliant entertainment. Mr T. M. Logan in honor of her charmis and accomplished daughter. Mrs. Me Logan, issued cards from 5:20 to o'clock, which filled her cleant hon o'clock, which liked her beautiful enter-with a throng of young people, radiant with enjoyment of the beautiful enter-tainment. As each guest arrived, adopting the English custom, they were an-nounced at the drawing room door and greeted most gracefully by the hostesses The house was converted into a fragant bower of plants and rare flowers, every space charmed by their natural luxuriance. A string band hidden by a screen of palms, played throughout the evening. The warm glow lighted the spacious rooms as every globe upon the chandellers was decked with ping slik shades, wreathed with smilaz, while masses of pink roses and carnations sweetened the air as well as made bright spots of color. Even the refreshing ices were in rose colored boxes, tied up with carnations and maiden hair fern

Mrs. and Miss Logan were assisting in receiving and seeing that their guests were served of the dainties. Mrs. Gordon served the coffee, Miss Effle Branch the tea, Miss Frances Scott the chocolate, and Mrs. John Freeman and Miss Irene Lang-horne the punch. Those in the dining-room were Mrs. William Bentley, Misses Elise Strother, Mary Cooke Branch, Bessle and Nannie Lay, Nenie Myers, Florine Nolting, Lelia Myers, Berta and Sailie Wellford, Nellie Boykin, Mary Cox Minnie Sadie Grymes, Messrs. John Lyons, T. N. McAboy, Dudley McDonaid. Frank Davenport Ludiam of Warrenton John Young, Richard Fegram, Fred Scott, Frank Williams, Charles Anderson, Au-thur Wiley, L. Williams, John Bryan, George Lafferty, George Gibson, Horace Hawes, Lilburn Myers, John Rutherfoord, P. H. C. Cabell, Edward Cox, John Cox, William Randotth, and others.

William Randolph, and others. The "tea" given by Mrs. James Patterson of her home, on cast Franklin, on Thursday afternoon, was one of the most enjoyable and attractive events ushering in the gay season. The honor was to Mrs. Thomas H. Bransford, of Roanoke, and Miss Cora Carrington, who is acknowledged one of the prettiest and mos. attractive debutantes. No home in Richmond enjoys fume of greater heads? mond enjoys fume of greater hospitality tnan that of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Lathrop, which Mr. and Mrs. Patterson share, and on this happy occasion its reputation was more than sustained. It was a yellow and white "tea," which was artisti-cally revealed by those soft colors enterall the tasteful decorations; yellow and white gowns adorning those who were assisting in doing the honors, and the same tints corresponding in flower and table decorations. Those receiving ware Mrs. S. Honor the same tints corresponding to the same tints corresponding to the same tints corresponding to the same tints of the same t celving were Mrs. S. P. Lathrop, Mrs. Thomas W. Bransford, Mrs. Chas. P. La-Mrs. George Lathrop, Mrs. Blythe , Mrs. Archibald Patterson, Mrs. Eugene Carrington, Mrs. George Wayne Anderson, Mrs. A. B. Camm, Mrs. Ash-ton Starke, Misses Cora Carrington, Carrie Moore, Hermine Moore, Marion Harris, Annie Gray, Judith Carrington, Marion Lizzie Patterson, Salife and Mag Stokes, Lou Atkins. Later in the evening a few more of their friends were added to that number. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Levin Joynes, Captain and Mrs. Marton
Dimmock, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Cabell, Mr.
and Mrs. James Welch, Mr. and Mrs.
Charles E. Smith, Misses Emily Burr of
Columbus, O., Bessle Martin, Maggie FerGurson, Fannie Ross, Hattie Ross, Elia
Cocke, Gertrude Camm,
Bessle Pace: Messrs. Charles Lathrop,
Elythe Moore, Fuller Paterson, George
Lathrop, Archibald Patterson, George
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Starke, William Ryan, George W. Anderson, Jack Pleasants, David Curry, John
Mrs. Club's reception is
Monday morning. The offerings will consist of toys, confectioneries, books, fruit
and just such things as will gladden the
learts of poor children whose parents are
unashle to supply them.

Mr. Weodall, the proprietor of the furniture house, No. 767 east Broad, has given
all of his employes suitable Christmas
gifts.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Curry, H. L. Cabell, Preston Noland, Williamson Talley, Richard Pegram, Williamson Talley, Richard Pegram, James L. Anderson, Allan Talbott, Ran-dolph Holliday, Cary Shepherd, Beirne Blair, Peyton Carrington and others. One of the bright features of this delightful entertainment was some exquisite vocal music by Miss Bessle Pace and Messra. William Grant and Iredell Jen-

Friday evening saw another full programme. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred G. Harris entertained the Thursday Club at their beautiful home on west Franklin. All the luxurious surroundings were added to by a profusion of fragrant cut flowers and graceful plants scattered about. The table of elegant dainties was exquisitely dressed with a great bow of wide pink dbbon and a centreplece of La France coses, while the entire menu was from New York, and both delicious and artistic in its serving. After the ladies had spent the early hours in six-hand eachre, they were joined by the gentlemen, and some delightful music was rendered, a charming stories told by Messrs. C. Langhorne, A. Salle Watkins and Dan Talley. Misses Marlon, Kate and Julie Harris with their lovely young guest, Miss Emily Burr, of Columbus, Ohlo, Mrs. Waller Morton, Mr. and Mrs. Dan. Falley, Mr. and Mrs. James Weich, Mr. and Mrs. Levin Joynes, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas N. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rutherfoord, Mrs. Richmond Pierson, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Davenport, Mrs. A. B. Camm, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Branch, Mr. and Mrs. James Branch, Mr. and Mrs. Otway Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Wortham, Jr., Mrs. Gray Skipwith, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Langhorne, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Frazier, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. T. Myers, Jr., Major L. D. T. Myers, Messrs. P. H. Mayo, Thomas Atkinson, Charles Bolling, William Massie, Eugene Massie, Dudley McDonald, Frank A. Davennort, Allen Talbott, Legh R. Page, Wyndham Meredith, Ed. Hannewinckel, John Ruth-erfoord, John Lyons, A. Salle Watkins, Randolph Holliday, William Grant, Ed. C. Mayo and others.

Hurrah for the Friday Cotillon Club! Its initial entertainment of the season at the Masonic Temple Hall on Friday even-ing was one of the most brilliant, as well as handsomest, germans ever given in the city. Mr. Charles A. Rose, the presi-dent, and Mr. John Boisseau, the leader, by their interest and influence have re-organized this club and stamped it at the start with brilliant success. In the midst of the pleasures of the dance there came the delightful surprise of the meat ex-quisite souvenirs and favors for the ladies present. The chaperons will re-member the occasion by little gold and enumel souvenir spoons, while the yourse. namel souvenir spoons, while the your and beauty. Some among them were lit-tle gold heart pendants, gold and crame cuff-buttons, little finger rings, each held ling a tiny jewel, and, in silver embroid uttoners, stamp boxes and all manner of Santa Claus treasures. In addition to this generous favoring of the fair part-ners each lady present was presented with a box of ben bons, tied up with ribbons, and upon their satin cover the gilt

"The Friday," with Christmas, 1802.

And we can but add in simpler, but no

as hearty way: The Friday, a happy Amony the debutantes Miss Nellie Per-

, Miss Nellie Boykin, Miss Lina Mayo ss Hallie Talcott, Miss Norma Walker sses Lula and Evie Walker, Miss Cora rrington, Miss Virgle Drewry, Miss na Taylor, Miss Mamie Saunders, Miss ary Hayes, Miss Adele Archer and Miss Among those present were: Misses Julia

Among those present were: Misses Julia Morton, Helen Rosse, Sallie Talbott, Ariadno Johnson, Emma Barkslate, Ella Williams, Alice Henning, Mary Mayo, Emily Cary, Annie Gray, Pensia Weideil, Mary Hunt, Stuart Bradley, Judith Deane, Miss Cook of Hanover, Miss Goodwin of Wytheville, Virgle Cadot, Eveline Williams, Mary Lane, Auburn, Ala.; Mr. and Mrs. Colton Chapin, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Watkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lafferty (nee Miss Mary Alfriend), Nannie Caldwell, West Virginia; Miss Tucker, Raleish; Mr. and Virginia; Miss Tucker, Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Archie Patterson, Annie McGuirc, Miss Conrad of Washington and Miss

Mrs. William H. Talbott, Mrs. Moneur erkins, Mrs. A. W. Archer, Mrs. Jame atterson, Mrs. Charles A. Rose, Mrs. ert G. Leigh, Mrs. Charles Thomas Brander, Mrs. Cadot, Mrs. Clem. Barksdale, Mrs. F. H.

Messra, Charles A. Rose, George Pegram, Charles Williams, Stuart Hume, David Lea, Joseph Jackson, Howard Smith, Edward Benson, E. G. Higgin-Smith, Edward Bellson, E. G. Higgin botham, John Cullen, Robert Craim Mentle Wortham, R. A. Carter, Dean Maury, Farley Cooke, Horace Stater William Mayo, George Bidgood, Georgo Mayo, Albert Alsop, Colton Chapin, Clem Shafer, Edgar Freeman, Bailey Sameders, W. B. Weisiger, John Walker, Elevard Paker, Ben Lawson, Cham Pleasants, Stewart and Jonathan Bryan, Randelph C. Carrington, Iredell Jenkins, Aldrich, Gibbs Halle, Thomas T. Rutherfoord, Edwin Thomason, Douglas, James T. Pat-terson, Archibald PZtterson, Smith Brock-enborough, William Talbott, Percy Hawes, Lafferty, R. A. Carter and others.

. . . . The events "to be" are no less absorb-A. P. V. A. ball is progressing in its arrangements for the 27th of January with great success. It will be distinctly a cotton ball, which is both original and a cotton ball, which is both original and replete with possibilities for charming effects in costumes. The idea is to reviva-the spirit that for long acknowledged the supremacy of Old King Cotton as the ruler of the South. The committees an-

ruler of the South. The Committees innounced thus far are:
Reception—Mrs. A. T. Harris.
Supper—Mrs. Gray Skipwith.
Decoration—Miss Lydia M. Pleasants.
Music—Mrs. Decatur Axtell.
Chairman of Finance Committee and
Treasurer—Mrs. E. B. Addison.
Levitation.

Tableau—Mrs. H. A. Tubb.
The Publication Committee is; Mrs. G.
W. Eagby, Mrs. A. B. Camm. Miss Judith Carrington, Miss Martha Bagby. Floor Committee-Mr. Rosewell Pag (chairman), Thomas N. Carter, Thomas Bolling, Levin Joynes, Thomas Atkinson A. M. Seddon, E. T. Crump, W. R. Mere-dith, William Hanewinckel, E. C. Mayo E. T. D. Myers, Jr., A. B. Guigon, William F. Wickham, Frank Davenport, John K. Branch, B. Rand, Weilford. Mr. and Mrs. Ashby Jones gave a very handsome reception on Wednesday even-ing in honor of their guests, Miss Hick-

son of Danville and Miss Caldwell of Wheeling, W. Va. Miss Ellie Williams entertained several friends at a delightful supper after the german on Friday evening.

Mr. W. Scott Carrington gave a beautiful supper party on Tuesday evening for Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Latimer, of Wil-

mington, N. C.
Invitations are out for a pink bal poudre, to be given by Mrs. Joseph Bryan at Laburnum on Thursday evening next. Little Miss Lillie Logan has a large arty on Monday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Read will give a

children's party for their little folks on Wednesday evening.
On January 4th there will be a large reception in the West-End in honor of a recently-announced engagement.

a beautiful brunette and most attractive debutante, and Miss Russell, of Hartford, will be with Miss Irene Langhorne.

The Daily Reporter, of Mobile, Ala., under date of Sunday, December 18th, has the following tribute to a fair daughter of this city: "Miss Lula Scott, one of the content of the city of the city."

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Miss Lizzie Bridges returned yesterday from a delightful visit to Norfolk.

Miss Conrad, of Winchester, Va., will spend the month of January with Miss Bridges, 117 east Cary street.

Mr. James B. Pace, Jr., of Louisville, reached the city yesterday to spend the

Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr. W. Groner Neal will leave to-mor row for Danville, to attend the marriage of Miss Birdle Neal.
Miss Goodwin, of Wytheville, is with

Mrs. Charles A. Rose.
Miss Joan Clark, of Atlanta, and Miss Raulett, of Massachusetts, will visit Miss Netta Potts.
Miss Bessie Pace will have "at homes"

Miss Bessle Pace win have on Tuesday afternoons in January. FELIX. EAST-END PESTIVITIES.

Entertainments for Christmas Week Take the Place of Social Engagements.

There has been a dearth of news in the East End for the past week. Everyone seems waiting for Christmas, and until it comes there will be socially nothing worthy of note. Christmas at all the churches of Church Christmas at all the churches of Church Hill will have carefully selected musical programmes, and especially in the Catholic and Episcopal will the decorations be handsome. Old St. John's is to be trimmed in holly and running cedar, while in the decorations of the chancel paims will be used. The music is under the efficient leadership of Mrs. C. E. Fitzwilson. The members of the choir are: Soprano-Mrs. C. E. Fitzwilson and the Soprano-Mrs. C. E. Fitzwilson and the Misses Gentry; Alto-Mrs. John Thomas and Miss Kate Fitzwilson; Tenor-M sars John Sloane and Eigin Graves; Basso-Mossrs, Charles Hindley and James Har-wood; Organist, Miss Fitzwilson; Cornet-ist, Mr. Norris Schuman.

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Mr. James Harwood, through not a member of the choir, has very kindly given his services for this occasion.

The Chapsi of the Redeemer will unite with Christ clurch, of which it is a mission, in the Christmas fastivities. The entertainment for the two Sunday schools who has played the leading part of Wilfred Dever mere the one thousand the search of t is to be of a very original nature, and will consist of an old Hohand wind-mill with revolving salls. This is to grind out for the little ones the pretty toys and good things to cat which dear old St. Nicholas, who is to be the miller, will distribute, assisted by the cunning little Brownics. These little gnomes will carry the bags On Monday night a cantata—"How We Waited for Santa Claus"—will be given by the young ladies of the Third Presbyterian Sunday school. Tickets are for sale now, and all are asked to purchase, and are promised an evening of real

Mr. George Currie is still quite sick at his residence, No. 2300 cast Grace street, Mr. Freeman Graves, of north Twenty-second street, has returned from the South, and will remain in Richmond dur-ng the holidays. Mr. John Villelonga, of New York city,

to be the guest of his aunt, Mrs. C. N graves, for the Christmas holidays. Miss Lillie George, who has been the most of Mrs. S. E. Woodfin, of east Grace treet, for the past few weeks, returned ast week to her home in Charlottesville,

Those who were so fortunate as to drop

nto the free reading-room of St. Andrew s rotherhood on Friday evening enjoyed a out delightful literary treat. Mr. Ben-min Berry read in a most effective man-er "Samantha Allen at Saratoga." On next Wednesday right we are to dance the most brilliant german yet given by the "Arlington." The hall is to be handsomely decorated, and a magnificent collution is to be served.

Wedded at West Troy.

A very pretty home wedding took idace at West Troy, N. Y., yesterday afternoon at 4:20 o'clock, in which a young Richonder was one of the contracting par-

Mr. Christ. P. Johnson, who has been or a number of years chief clerk of the tradstreet Company in this city, married ties Hianche F. Snyder, and Rev. E. A. McCullum, of Fort Plains, N. Y., and Miss A. Bell Snyder, sister of bride, was maid of honor. Only the near relatives of the bride and groom and

ent on a wedding tour, during which

in to Richmond in the early part of many, and the many friends of the will be glad to greet them on their

The bride has until recently lived with per parents at Barton Heights, from

Concert at the Home.

Educa' band will give a concert t the Soldiers' Home on the evening of he 29th. Here is the programme. 1. March, "Old Times," (arranged by fantasia, "Brudder Gardner's

denie," (Rollinson) 3. Sero de, "I Still Think of Thee," 4. Darkey jubilee, "Ball of the Hencoop

(Laurendeau). Selection, "Songs of Scotland," (Wal-Medley, "The Black Brigade,"

7. March, "L. B. B.," (Hall).
9. Overture, "Recollections of the War," (Ueyer), introducing familiar drum and rumpet calls and ending with 'Dixle

8. Paraphrase, "Adeste Fideles," (ar-

10. Galep, "Whiz," (Rollinson). ected especially to suit the taste of the

"Who's to Win Him?"

On Friday evening, December 30th, grand entertainment will be given at the Mozart Academy of Music for the cenefit of the Woman's Christian Association. Mrs. Randolph L. Norris is in charge of he same, and a brilliant success of the effair is already assured.

Quite a number of society ladies and
well-known gentlemen will take part in the performance, and a large audience will no doubt be in attendance.

The programme consists of the romedicta "Who's to Win Him," and the cantata "The Darling of the Year."

Mrs. Dexter Buried.

The remains of Mrs. S. B. Dexter, who died deserted and forsaken in the city almshouse Friday, were laid to rest yesterday afternoon in Shockoe Cemetery. Her young infant is still in the care of the almshouse awaring the directions of her relatives.

Mrs. Dexter's mother wrote to her under date of December 4th from Wilmington, and from the cumposition of the letter she is without much education and very poor. Dr. Dexter, the patent medicine vender who alandoned his unfortunate wife here, has ioned his unfortunate wife here, has not been heard from.

A Syncise Meeting.

Christmas will be prettily and appropriately celebrated by the Sunday school of Centenary Methodist church to-morrow marning. The room has been beautifully decorated for the occasion. The Christian Endeavor Society of the same church will colabrate the occasion with a survival. Endeavor Society of the same church will celebrate the occasion with a sunrise meeting and Christmas offering at 7:30 o'clock Monday morning. The offerings will consist of toys, confectioneries, books, fruit and just such things as will gladden the hearts of poor children whose parents are unable to supply them.

"Underground" at the Eighth-Street House and the "Silver King" at the Theatre To-Morrow.

"The Silver King" will be played at the Richmond Theatre to-morrow, Tuesday and Wednesday, with matinees on Monday and Wednesday.

Probably the reason that "The Silver King" is a lasting success is due to the fact that it does not depend upon stage carpentry and scenery for interest, but rises superior to these accompaniments. It is pronounced as the best melo-drama which has ever been produced upon the boards, and the lapse of time only serves to give it a stronger hold upon the public taste.



rights, and he has surrounded himself with a most capable support. The company is composed of twenty-five people, and carry a car load of special scenery. "The Silver King" is from the pen of Henry Arthur Jones, author of "The Middleman," in which E. A. Millard made his reputation. The great Madison Source Theatre suc-

The great Madison Square Theatre suc-cess, "Jane," comes to the Richmond Thea-tre two nights, Thursday and Friday, December 29th and 30th, with a brilliant company under the direction of Charles Froh-

"Funny is the correct adjective to affix to tor, unless he be almost incredibly grave, is kept in constant laughter. This is the story of "Jane:" Charles Shackleton is a young man with prespects. Left a fortune by his aunt on condition that he marries celled. The concessions, work and all before securing any of the money, so long as he is able to conduct all his business by correspondence he succeeds in making | free of all incumbrances whatsoever to his gnardian believe that he has a wife

He has involved himself in debt, and has ued it all on the extravagance of his e, when Mr. Kershaw, the old guardian, estres to visit him and remenstrate with he lady. This startling announcement makes it necessary for the young man to rovide blasself with a wife at short no "He and his clever man servant William

agree mon the idea that he must borrow a wife for the occasion to carry out the deoption. They are not so happy, however, a their selection of the wife, and, each working on independent lines, prepare for the other surprises that are startling in the'r developments. William selects Mrs. Chadwick, a widow

of mature years, to play the part, and when Kershaw arrives introduces her as Mrs. Shackleton. She, not averse to becoming Mrs. Shackleton, accepts the situation with the hope of becoming in reality his wife. the hope of becoming in reality his via-But Shackleton, having thought of every-thing, and found no better way out of his embarrassment, notices his bright house-mald Jane, and proposes that she play the ots, and he at once sends her out to fir

faction of her master and his guardian, but to the great consternation of William, whose real wife she became that morning. "The situation becomes more ridicalous with each of the three short acts, and Jane has the ready wit to meet every emergency, even to borrowing a baby, when the cld guardian asks after the hopeful helr, whom his young scapegrace of a ward has pictured in his correspondence. But this display breaks down William's patience, and he unsets the whole game.

te unsets the whole game.

Jane is driven to confession, is forgiven
or her cleverness, and Shackleton, having been forgiven by his sweethart, Lucy Ner ton, becomes a married man in truth and receives his fortune."

Jane will be presented with a cast of

superior excellence "Churns," the New York Herald prize Comedietta, in one act, will precede "Jane"

os a curtain raiser.
On Saturday Roland Reed will give that delightful comedy, "Innocent as a Lamb, it is Mr. Reed's new play, and has prove be a perfect gold mine for him Reed was last seen here in the "Woman Hater," and attracted large and fashionable audiences. He is one of the cleverest ac tors on the stage to-day.

Thomas G. Leath.

The Christmas number of the Dramatic Times contains the following sketch of Mr. Thomas G. Leath, of Richmond: The most popular and prosperous local manager of Virginia is Mr. Thomas G. Leath. He is the active member of the

firm of Branch & Leath, managers of the Richmond Theatre, and also of Van Wyck's Academy of Music in Norfolk, Va. Mr. Leath is also the lessee and manager of the Petersburg Academy of Music and manager of the Southern Interstate Theatrical Circuit, which can terstate Theatrical Circuit, which com-prises all the principal theatres in Vir-ginia, a part of West Virginia and North and South Carolina.

Mr. Leath came to Richmond about six

years ago as treasurer of the Mozart Academy of Music. This was the cheap house of the city at that time. The next season he assumed the management and raised the prices to the regular standard.

Jour this time he associated Mr. H. G. Herger with him in the management. The Richmond Theatre was then the only recognized first-class house in the city, but in less than two years the Theatre was virtually closed, and the Academy was the recognized leader in giving the

best attractions.

May 1, 1890, Mr. Leath severed his partnership with Mr. Berger at the Academy. allowing the latter to retain the manage-ment of that house, and taking himself the control of the Academy in Norfolk, the lease of which he had acquired. He then took the management of the Richmond Theatre and associated Mr. James

R. Branch with him. At that time the business of the Theatre had been virtually khied, but in less than one year he sgain re-established it as the leading house of the city, which position it has continued to retain. Mr. Peter Jackson, who has been with the house for forty years, is still head doorkeeper, and perhaps is one of the oldest and best known doorkeepers in the country. Professor Stein, who has followed Mr. leash's fortunes since his residence in Richmond, handles the baton in the orchestra (and a very competent one it is, too), while young Mose Wise, who has charge of the box office, is noted for a pleasant disposition and his accuracy in settlements.

ettlements. Up to the time that Mr. Leath leased Up to the time that Mr. Leath leased the Academy in Norfolk no one had ever retained possession of that house for two seasons, as business was not good enough to pay the rent. Mr. Leath has now had the house for five years, and has renewed his lease for another term of five years, and such business as is being done there

"Underground" (a story of the mine), a play depicting life in the anthracite re-gions of Pennsylvania, will be the attrac-tion at the Mozart Academy on to-morrow afternoon and evening. It is produced with an abundance of elaborate scenary and mechanical effects. One striking novelty is the interior of a coal mine at the bottom of the shaft. The climax of this act is an explosion in the mine, which ruins everything. It is a wonderful exhibition of realism.

A white man endeavored vesterday morning to dispose of two sheep and a calf, which he had in a wagon, at the Second market. When an officer came in sight the man ran away. The wagon was soon iden-tified by Mr. Samuel Largon, who lives on Twenty-second street, as his property. It was stolen from his vard last night. The calf was taken from the pen of Mr. John C. Brauer and the sheep from Mr. Charles E. Brauer's pen last night. The cwner of horse has not as vet been found, nor has the thief been captured.

Law Building on Fire.

A dense smoke issuing from Ford's law building, on Ninth between Grace and Franklin streets, attracted considerable atention about 11 o'clock last night, and was tention about 11 octook last night, and was the incentive for a still alarm. A hose car-riage from the Broad-street engine-house responded, and the flames were quickly extinguished. The damage was trifling. There is no knowledge as to how the flames

The Columbia Boys, The Musical Society of Columbia College, New York city, has been in existence fitteen years and is now at the height of its popularity. It is composed of thirty-two young gentlemen, all undergraduates of whom twenty-five are taken on their Southern trip. There are eighteen on the Giec Club and ten on each of the instrumental club, many

There are eighteen on the Glee Club and ten on each of the instrumental clubs, many of these, however, playing on both the Banjo and Mandolin Clubs.

The above mentioned clubs will give their grand minstrel show in this city at the Mozart Academy on Wednesday evening, Pecember 28th. Seats can be purchased now at the music store of M. B. Ramos & Co.

THE NICARAGUA CANAL.

Wrong Impression About Senate Bill Providnig for Government Aid Corrected, Editor Times:

The position of The Times towards the Nicaragua canal enterprise has been so well established, that its friends were somewhat surprised at one of its recent somewhat surprised at one of its recent editorials, in which the impression was created that the Senate bill was a one-sided agreement on the part of the Government, by which in case of failure the United States would bear the loss, while in case of success the canal company would secure the profit. While we think this was an unfair and unjust estimate of the former bill, the amended act reported from the Senate committee on "Jane." Its situations, to say nothing of the words, are so ladicrous that the audi-

celled. The concessions, work and a property of every description, and, in facthe entire enterprise, are to be turned ov new board of directors. Of the fiftee forming the board, ten are to be appointe by the Government (five from each party The company is to have one hundred millions of capital and issue one hundred millions of bonds. Six millions of these bonds are to be given the present comof State and Treasury that they have spent that much in actual work and property. The balance of the bonds are to be reserved for building the canal under the new directory, and only to be is-sued as United States officers certify that

work is done.

Of the stock twelve millions or less Of the stock tweive familions or less than 1-8 is to be given the present com-pany to retire the stock now out, and as compensation for the concessions, out-lays and labor in bringing the enterprise

to the present time.

Of the balance of the stock, after setting aside what is due the States of Nicaragun and Costa Rica dess than ten millions) the balance more than three-fourths of the whole, is to be given absolutely t the United States, full paid and nor assessable, with the rights of represen tation, etc., as compensation for guaran-

In his speech at St. Louis President Miller gave his account of what occurred when the Senate Committee of Foreign Affairs, deeming it proper that the United States should control the canal, sent for him. He said to them:

States should control the canal, sent for him. He said to them:

"If the Government of the United States thinks it ought to have a hand in this great work " * * this company is composed of loyal, patriotic American citizens, and they will not stand in your way. * * If the Government of the United States wants to take it up and guarantee a sufficient amount of the bonds of the canal it can do so; it can pay our company just what we have expended upon it. We will place our accounts before the Secretary of the Treasury and the Secretary of State, who shall audit them, so you will know what we have expended upon it; then you can give us as a profit for our labor, our energy, our skill, our trouble and our anxiety just what you think it is worth. If you think it is not worth anything you need not give us anything for it." you need not give us anything for it."

He then adds: "If anybody thinks I ought to have made a more generous proposition than that to the Govern ment I would like to have him stand up

At any rate, the Senate committee have taken him at his word, and the amended bill is framed exactly upon this proposi-

We have reason to think, from the in troduction of this bill, that the officials of the canal stand by the liberal proposi-tion of Mr. Miller and are willing to action of Mr. Miller and are willing to ac-cept it. Does not this dispose for all time of all suspicion of fraud or jobbery on the part of the canal owners? Can any one doubt the value of the canal to the United States, when the committee of the Senate, composed of the ablest lawyers and leaders of both parties, unite in a unanimous report, urging it as es-sential to the commerce, union, safety, progress and peace of the United States? Should not this bill pass, and pass at this session of Congress?

THE RUNAWAY COUPLES. They Make Bristol a Very Gay Place

from a Matrimonial Point of View.

BRISTOL, TENN., Dec. 22,-[Special.]-Counting the runaway couples that have been married in Bristol in the last ten days, this has been a gay week matrimonially speaking. Father Burroughs, the venerable proprietor of the Nichols Hotel, who catches all the runnaways from Southwest Virginia, has had his hands full for about two weeks past. He has married on an average of two couples every day. Two well-known Bristol people were married this afternoon, when Rev. D. Vance Price pronounced the words that made W. C. Long and Miss Minnie M. Bondurant one. Mr. Long is the manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company here. He came here about three years ago. To-night at 70 clock Rev. A. H. Burroughs united in marriage Mr. Charles Cantrell and Miss Lavie Collins, daughter of Mr. C. C. Collins, of this city.

A new hardware store is to be opened in this has been a gay week matrimonially

A new hardware store is to be opened in A new naruware store is to be opened in this city about the first of the New Year by Mr. S. R. Ferguson, who has been on the road for the past five years in the capacity of salesman for a well-known firm. Mr. Ferguson opened the first hardware house

Ferguson opened the first hardware house ever opened in Bristol, and has always been very subcessful in business.

Hotel Fairmount has been leased again, this time to a gentleman from Alabama, who has had years of experience in the luminess. Fairmount has always been well kept, but has never made a cent of money. In fact it has lost money. The property cost about \$50,0:0, but the owners have offered it for sale several times for half the money and have found no purchaser. The Presbyterians thought of buying it for a female school recently, but save up the idea.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL. Interesting Pacts About Richmond's Citi-

zens and Other Matters. Miss Gladys Wallis, who appeared here Miss Gladys Wallis, who appeared here last week in "The Senator," created quite a furor. Everyone who saw her, especially the society men, fell completely in love with her, and had she been so inclined, Miss Wallis would have received many invitations to social functions. Unfortunately her position—an enviable one-did not permit her going "out nights," and men who were willing to do all possible for her entertainment while here, were forced to forego the pleasure of such dlightful company.

"The American Minister" attracted a large and fashionable audience at the Mozart last evening. It is not the attrac-tive play that "The Senator" is, but thor-oughly pleased the audience last evening.

The members of Richmond Castle, No. 4, Knights of the Golden Eagle, will have a ball and banquet at Golden Eagle Hall, Ninth and Franklin streets, on Friday evening, December 30th, at 8 o'clock. The Bergner & Engel Brewing Com

pany, of Philadelphia, through their man-ager in this city. Mr. Charles E. Luffler, have kindly presented the employes of The Times with a quarter barrel of beer as a Christmas gift. Mr. Felix M. Jones, of Clifton Forge, Va., is in the city to spend the holidays

with his family.

Mr. A. Parry Moon will leave the city to-day for his home at Chatham, Va., to spend the holidays.

The city ambulance was called to Thornton & Co.'s tobacco factory,

Twenty-second and Cary, about 9 o'clock yesterday morning, where Annie Hill had fallen down a long flight of steps. Her arm was broken, and she was badly

Mrs. Ira Mowery, Miss Edna and baby Lizabeth, have gone to Norfolk to spend the holidays with Mrs. Mowery's father, Mr. B. T. Bockover,

Miss Daisy Rives will be the guest of Miss Bessie Martin, Grace street, for the month of January.

The Times thanks the J. L. Hill Printng Company for a generous supply of their handsomely printed calendars for 893, which that company kindly sent the Dr. William F. Mercer, after several

months' Illness, has resumed his practice. His office is No. 307 east Main. Dr. Merer makes a specialty of the eye, car, The Times has received the Christmas menu card of the Eutaw House, in Bal-

timore. It presents an inviting array of choice viands. Mr. William J. Woods, formerly of Schmond, seiled yesterday from New ork for South America, where his wife and daughter will soon join him.

The Columbia College Club passes C., returning here for their conert Wednesday night.

Mr. C. J. MacHenry leaves this morning for Wilmington, the guest of the Columbia College Club. The staff of The Times have received an invitation from the American Hotel to dine there Christmas day. For which, thanks. The menu card deserves espe-cial attention, for it is indeed beautiful. The members of the orchestra at the

Theatre last night presented their leader, Professor Stein, with a handsome Elks' jewel as a token of their estesm. Policeman Sutton dropped his pistol from his pocket Friday night while board-ing a car near Seventh and Cary. If the finder will leave it at the Second station there will be one policeman in the city who will enjoy Christmas.

Mr. James P. Sharp has been appointed a justice of the peace to fill the unexpired term of Mr. W. C. Balley, de-

On Wednesday night last Mr. Edward England and Miss Minnie Jordan were united in marriage at the residence of the bride's parents, No. 49 Nicholson street. Rev. Theodore Whitfield, D. D., officiated. The alarm of fire from box No. 53 yes-

erday morning at 9:15, was occasioned y a fire in a small shanty on the water ont, near the Richmond Cedar Works. The trains from the North were all several hours late yesterday, due, it was stated, to the heavy Christmas travel

The clerk of the hustings court issued the following marriage licenses yester-day: William A. Crowley and Ida B. Dunlavey, Joseph A. Frith and Annie E

The inmates of the Male Orphan Asy tion next Thursday, when they will be entertained at an elegant dinner, provided by Mrs. J. R. Gill, the efficient superintendent of the institution.

Colonel Henry C. Jones, through his adjutant, Captain E. A. Shepherd, has issued an order suspending drills until after the 1st of January. Miss Zoi G. Trail is at present visiting

in Eastern Maryland, and will remain here for several weeks.

Each of the employes of the Virginia State Insurance Company were presented with a fine turkey on yesterday by the

W. H. Fussell, formerly of Richmond, low residing in Roanoke, returned to the city to spend Christmas with rela-H. Rosenberg, proprietor of the Pioneer Cheroot Factory, presented yesterday each of his employes with a box of candy as a

Christmas token. BARNES, STAINBACK & CO.

Invoice of their Assets Shows the Stock to Be Less than the Liabilities.

HENDERSON, N. C., Dec. 23,-Special.-The stock of Barnes, Stainback & Co., notice of whose assignment was sent you yesterday, invoiced about \$10,000, some \$6,000 less than

the liabilities. Amount due on their books, which is part of the assets, not yet ascertained.

The new electric light company will throw on the light to-morrow night in twenty ar-lights for the town, and a good many pri-vate incandescents. After six montas o darkness the town will look live again, and

darkness the town will look live again, and the sight will be much enjoyed.

Petty thieves are thick around here. Thursday night some hundred pounds of fine tobacco was taked from Cooper's Warehouse here and carried to Louisburg, where it was sold yesterday. By using the telegraph wires a little the two thieves spent last night in jail and will have a preiminary hearing to-day. On the same night an attempt wis made to enter a private residence in town, and a rogue who had stolen numerous articles from the residence of Mr. Manning near town, was fired on eight

Manning near town, was fired on eight times, but escaped.

The thermometer registered 21 degrees at 7 o'clock this morning and 18 degrees at 12 noon, with every incication of snow. There are few people in town and Christmas goods are going slowly.

HON. A. E. STEVENSON. He Will Not Visit Ashevule with His Party.

Albert G. Glover's Case. ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 24. - Special .-Our people are greatly disappointed that General and Mrs. Stevenson have suddenly decided to return home from Atlanta and not visit Asheville just at this time. ception had been arranged for the distin-guished party and many preparations made to insure them a good time during the holi-

W. W. Jones, attorney for Albert G. W. W. Jones, attorney for Albert G. Glover, in an interview with the representative of a local paper, says that his client will surely return from Boston, whither he has gone to spend Christmas with his family and stand his trial. This was said in denial of a romor that Glover had left Asheville with no intention of returning. Mr. Jones says Glover left on advice of counsel.

Calvin McCorcle and his wife March who, it appears is happely named, have not been getting along well togother for some time and this morning Policeman Molan saw the woman chasing her husband up Bailey stread with a pictol and arrested both. The woman was taken before Recorder Miller, who fined her \$30. Train Master Foster has issued orders that

Train Master Foster has issued orders that no freight be hauled over the Western North Carolina road until after next Threaday, 27th instant, in order that the employees of the road may have a holiday. A similar order will be issued just before New Year.

The matrimonial fit that seized this community about two weeks ago continues with unabated fury. Judge George A. Sheeford, of the Superior Court, will be married next Tuesday at Coosa, Ga., to Miss Julia F. Dean, of that place. He will leave Ashe. ville Sunday for Coosa, and after the marriage he and his bride will spend some time in Florida.

Two daughters of Rev. A. I. Justice, of Two daughters of Rev. A. 1. Justice, of Fairview, this county, were married to day. Miss Lillie Justice to E. S. Miller, and Miss Julia Justice to Leroy D. Brookshire.

Miss Minnie Arnold was married to George Atkins at the home of J. H. Hampton, on Bailey street yesterday afternaon. The

Atkins at the home of J. H. Hampton, on Bailey stroet yesterday afternoon. The groom is a brother of Rev. James Atkins, Jr., president of Emory and Henry College, Va., and of Professor B. E. Atkins, president of Asheville Female College.

Mr. William V. Tennent, of this place, was married to Miss Nannie McCoy, of Dills, boro, at the latter place yesterday morning. They came to Asheville on the afternoon train and will spend their honeymoon here. John R. Baird and Miss Sallie Alexander were married at the home of the bride's father, on Bailey street last evening. father, on Bailey street last evening.

Wholesale Conspiracy Charged,

MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 24.—B. J. Mar. tin, the cashier and president of the defunct Webster Eark at Eudora. Miss., was arrested to-day on a warrant sworn out by the depositors, who charge him with embezzling \$17,000 of the bank's funds. He will be taken to Mississippi this afternoon. Two weeks before Martin left for New York, when the bank was attached, the safe of the town, containing his official bond for \$10,000, was blown open and the bond extracted. Martin insists that the bank will pay in full, but the depositors charge wholy sale conspiracy between him and the guarantee company and some of the stock-holders.

TO DECLARE MARTIAL LAW.

The Revolution in Mexico Reaching Alarming Proportions.

LAREDO, TEX., Dec. 24, -This morning United States Marshal Hall attempted to send a Mexican revolutionist from San Ignacio to this city in charge of two armed

deputies.

The party had proceeded but a few miles up the Rio Grande river when they were attacked by six revolutionists.

The prisoner was released and the deputy marshals were carried away to the mountains. Troops are in pursuit and mattal law will undoubtedly be declared.

Suffocated by Foul Gas.

MASCOLTAH, H.L., Dec. 24.—J. M. Kidd, a mine boss, and Elmer Rosenberry and Alfred Simuon, workmen, went into an old unused portion of a coal mine at Alma, this county, vesterlay to propect for proposed improvements. All three were sufficiented by foul gas. Although rescued from the mine in a very short time, the two workmen were dead and it is doubtful if the mine boss will recover.

FOR DYSPEPSIA. Indigestion, and Stomach disorders, take BROWN'S IRON BITTERS. All dealers keep it. 31 per bettle. Genmine b trade mark and crossed red lines on wrapps

Guarantee Building, Lean and Trust Co. No. 6 north Tenth street. DIVIDEND NOTICE. The directors of this company have this

DIVIDEND NOTICES.

day declared a semi-annual dividend of \$P_2\$
PER CENT, free of taxi out of the earnings of the last six menths, payable on and after the 24 of JANUARY, 1883. WILLIAM D. RICH de25-su.tu.th.sa.tu5t

Office Virginia State Insurance Co. D IVIDEND NOTICE.

The directors of this company have this day declared a semi-annual dividend of THREE PER CENT (free of all tax), payable to the stockholders on and after JANUARY 2D, 1893. RO. E. RICHARDSON,

Secretary. Building Loan and Trust Company, 1209 Main street, Richmond, Va., Dec. 22,1802

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMPANY have declared a semi-annual
dividend of FIVE FER CENT. Dayable
on and after JANUARY 2d, 189
WM. LOVENSTEIN,
de22-th,sa,su,w,frat-td5t Cashier.

Merchants' and Planters' Savinga Bank, Richmond, Va., Dec. 21, 1892.

A T A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS, held this day, a semi-annual dividend of TWO PER CENT. on the

H. A. WILLIAMS,

State and City Depository
National Bank of Virgi da.
Richmond, Va., Dec 22, 1892

THE DIRECTORS OF THE NATHONAL BANK OF VIRGINIA have
this day declared a dividend of Tranch
PER CENT. (free of all taxes), payable
to the stockholders on and after the
3D DAY OF JANUARY, 1891.

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Office of the Genetic

Office of the Granite Perpetual Building Fund Company, Cilices, No. 102 Main street.

THE DIRECTORS OF THIS COMearnings of the last six months, a semiannual dividend of FOUR AND A HALF
PER CENT. (free of tax), payable on
and after the 2D DAY OF JANUARY,
Secretary and Treasurer. dc22,25,28,ja1,4 Secretary and Treasurer.

Dividend - Directors of D this company have declared a semi-annual dividend of FIVE PER CENT. (free of tax), payable to stockholders on and after JANUARY 24, 1883. de22-2w WM. H. McCARTHY.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The Board of Directors of the Petersburg Railroad Company have decelared a dividend of 3 per cent, on the common and preferred stock of the company, payable on and after the 3d day of January, 1893, to all holders of record on the 29th of December, 1892, after which date the books of transfer will be closed until January 3, 1893. W. R. JONES, de29-t ja3 Treasurer.

D IVIDEND NOTICE.

The Board of Directors of the Rich-The Board of Directors of the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad Company have declared a dividend of 3½ per cent. on the common capital stock and dividend obligations of the company, payable on the 2d of January, 1893, to all holders of record on the 20th of December, 1892, after which date the books of transfer will be closed until January 2, 1893.

J. B. WINSTON, delf-t jail Treasurer.

DIVIDEND NOTICE.

The Board of Directors of the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad Company have declared a dividend of THREE AND A HALF PER CENT. on the capital stock of the company, payable on and after the 3D DAY OF JANUARY, 1833, to all holders of record on the 30th of December, 1833, after which date the books of transfer will be closed until January 3, 1833, de20-t ja3 W. R. JONES, Treasurer.

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